

Watauga Democrat

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Town and County

Weather cool.

Building in progress.

Vote the full democratic ticket.

See that you are registered.

Mr. Fortune turns out to have been a kuklux.

Renew your subscription if it expires with Nov. 6th.

Subscribers are earnestly requested to settle for their paper.

Mr. W. L. Bryan is decorating his new house with a coat of beautiful paint.

Many thanks to our friend Maj. Vannoy, for some of the finest Irish potatoes we ever saw.

See that the X mark does not stand opposite your name on your paper for it is a sign you owe us.

Be certain to vote for the Judges as well as the amendment, insist on getting a ticket of that kind.

If you did not register in the R. R. election you must do so now, otherwise you will not be allowed to vote.

What do you think of a Sheriff that will advertise and sell a man's land for a tax of ten cents.

As the weather grows cold we need wood at our office and if you are in arrears with us please drop us a line as you come in town. It is the same as money to us and much easier for you too.

Our county candidates are not idle. They are doing a good work which will tell in Nov. A little work from each man and at the right time will roll us in a majority of 200.

John S. Williams, of the DEMOCRAT, has returned from a visit to his home in Warrenton, and reports large crowds in attendance at that fair and the State Fair at Raleigh.

J. F. Spainhour, our worthy Editor, is off doing good work (as he is so capable of) for the democratic party. When Spainhour goes out on a campaign that means something done.

If you want goods cheap go to T. J. Coffey & Bro., W. L. Bryan, C. D. Taylor & Bro. of Valle Crucis, H. C. Martin of Lenoir, Harper Bernhardt & Co. of Lenoir. They are enterprising men and know what printers ink is worth.

The prohibition issue is dead. It is numbered with the things of the past and the Radical racialities. No where through the state did we hear anything of it except the tolling of the political bell which announced its death and burial. Try some other game Rads.

Joe Clarke, of Blowing Rock, is just receiving his winter goods, and a more complete stock can't be found. He is an old merchant and knows what please his customers, and you need go

no further in quest of low prices as he is at Rock-bottom.

Mr. J. D. Horton, of Elk Park, is lying quite ill of fever in Charleston S. C. His brother-in-law, Dr. Houk, of Lenoir, who was called to his bed side a week ago returned to Lenoir on the 18th. and reports improvement in his condition. We hope for the speedy recovery of Mr. Horton.

Friend Crisp, the Radical candidate for the Leg. when met the other day on his homeward journey from some political stump said he had been off stopping "hog-holes." We can't conceive of his meaning unless he meant that he had so patched up the Radical fence that there was no chance for them to escape.

From "old Ocean" to Mountain top the cry goes forth in thundering tones, "Hurrah for Fowle." Having been through the entire state within the last three weeks we know where of we speak, and will say to the democrats of the West that if you still continue to stand firm we will roll up a majority on Nov. 6th. which will fall very little short of 20,000.

What is the world coming to! In the last issue of the Enterprise we see that the Radicals are warned by their State Ex. Chairman that frauds will be perpetrated on them by the democratic party during Oct. and that lies and fogeries are in circulation against them. "Great Scott!" does it take lies and fogeries for the intelligent people of N. C. to see that the NEGROES should not rule our state. Will it take either lies or fogeries to give the Radicals another similar buck set to that of '84? We say not, but what we do say is that the Radical Chm. Ex. State Com. was sadly misinformed as to the tactics of the democratic party to carry the state or has lied for the purpose of arousing to greater effort his dilatory grovelers in the mud.

The little yankee captain failed to get into the court house in Jefferson. He must have been sick. He looked a little bad when he left Boone. Col. Cowles had it all his own way, but then it would have been about the same if Ward had been present.

Remember that if the tariff protects the manufacturer, it can only do so by allowing him to sell his goods higher than he otherwise could. If he sells them higher isn't it plain that the purchaser must pay this higher price for them. As we in the South are the purchaser—the consumers, isn't it clear then that we pay the tariff the Ed. of the Enterprise to the contrary notwithstanding.

We have a daily mail from Boone to Jefferson, and there is a daily mail from Jefferson to Mouth of Wilson, so that if the Post Masters along the line will do their duty the DEMOCRAT will always reach Mouth of Wilson Thursday evening, and yet we are told that it is often Saturday and sometimes even Monday before it goes there. We received a letter

a few days ago from Mouth of Wilson that had been just 8 days on the way, when it should have come in two. The complaints are not confined to this line alone. Many citizens in the lower part of Ashe and Alleghany complain that the DEMOCRAT does not reach them on time. There is at least one post master some where who is not doing his duty. There may be more than one. We have no idea who it is, but if there is not a change, we propose to see if we can't find out.

The following figures are taken from the county records:

SHERIFF BAIRD collected the taxes of Watauga county for the year 1886, the closest year; in money matters, known to this country for many, and did so too without selling an acre of land; and at the end of the year returned only \$114.64 as insolvent.

SHERIFF HAYES in collecting the taxes for last year, which was one of the most prosperous years for many, advertised more than 3000 acres of the people's land, and then returned \$170.63 as insolvent. Sheriff Hayes may claim that there is a new law which required him to sell the land. To this we would reply, that there is no law that even allows a Sheriff to sell land until all personal property is exhausted. We don't know that he claims this but if he does we would like to ask how it is that no other sheriff has found that law.

The Enterprise of last week says: "If Kitchen was so anxious for a joint discussion as Spainhour asserts, why did he refuse to discuss with Linney in Boone? Let Spainhour explain."

We stated last week how this was. Kitchen, not only, did not refuse to divide time with Linney, but on the contrary, he was willing to divide with Linney and give him Dockery and Devereux to boot, provided he be allowed to be heard by the Republicans,—he was willing to speak first, taking one hour, and allow all three of them to follow him in an hour each and that too without allowing him a reply. This they refused and we think they did so to the surprise and disgust of even the republicans of Watauga. While the Republicans of Watauga must know that they are fighting in a bad cause yet we give them credit for thinking that Dockery, Devereux and Linney, could manage Kitchen provided he be required to speak first and then be not allowed to reply, but Dockery, Devereux and Linney, knew better than the Watauga republicans—they knew it would not do for the republicans of Watauga to hear Kitchen at all.

But then who is this man Linney any way? Is he the same man that used to abuse the Republicans so in this country? Is he the man that said a few years ago, that next to the Christian religion the principles of the Democratic party were dearest to him?

Is he the man that said four years ago that if the Democratic party should nominate the devil he would vote for him? Is he the man that used to abuse John Q.

A. Bryan of Wilkes, so for being a republican? Is he the man that said two years ago he would plough a bob-tailed bull, for a living, before he would join the Republican party? Is this the man that speaks for the old republicans of Watauga county? Will the Enterprise please explain?

If this is so, it seems to us the Republican party is getting hard up for some one to talk for them.

The truth is its getting to be a pretty hard thing for an old republican to get a division of the honors of his party, and when they do divide the old republican gets to be chairman of some committee, an empty honor, while the new comer or the man who has never been heard of gets the office. If you doubt the truth of this statement you have but to open your eyes on the Republican party of Watauga to be convinced. When a candidate for the legislature was to be selected, the people said (through the Enterprise) we have four men in our party, Messrs. Calloway, Greer, Hodges and Younce all good men and men who bore the heat and burden of the day for the Republican party, either of these men will satisfy us, either of them can represent the interests of Watauga county in the legislature, for they are apart of the county and know what she needs. But when the convention met these old true and tried republicans were snubbed. There is a new man that wants a place, a man too that four fifths of the Republicans of the county had never seen six months ago, and that half of them don't know to day. He's a stranger. He will have to take somebody around with him to introduce him. But notwithstanding this the old Republicans must stand back and let this stranger—this man that was never heard of in the politics of his country before this campaign have the place.

Boone, N. C. Oct. 22. A poor ignorant writing under date of Oct. 13, in the Enterprise from Boone and signing himself "Jim" has "understood" (don't that sound like a Radical, never knows anything but can hear everything,) that a "rye dough beaver" had been given a negro to vote the Democratic ticket. A "rye dough beaver," let us see we think we have heard the expression before; it strikes us that this same "Jim" made use of such a remark in Court House not very long since, in a political harangue, if we are not mistaken. Yes Jim, a very small price to pay for a vote in comparison to some positions that paid \$6 a day and obtained by your men in the same way. We know nothing whatever about any Radical votes being purchased by our party and neither do we believe it, but with such a fellow as "Jim" we should not be surprised if a trade could be made. Yes you seem to think it a great crime for us to offer to buy them over, but its alright for them to sell; well that's about the most prominent feature in the Radical platform. Why look at your boss, Jim Harris, of Raleigh, (black as the hinges of midnight) when the prohibition campaign was in progress he first sold out to the prohibitionists and then

turned around and sold to the antis and made a clean profit of \$25,000. He owns a fine house and lot in Raleigh to-day and brags that he got it that way, but you poor little unimportant, bob-tail, one-horse politicians have to take a "dough hat" no wonder you are mad about it, but you ought to recollect that you have not the sense of your "big nigger bosses," therefore you cannot expect to get as much as your superiors, but "Jim" if you want to turn and our price is too small we'll see if we can't throw in an old pair of second-hand shoes, so roll in "Jim" and get your pay.

You say a suit of clothes was also offered and we know to what you refer and pronounce it a malicious LIE. We would like to know the name of the man who was offered the cow for his vote, for we think that will turn out like the clothes.

Valle Crucis, N. C. Oct. 16th. '88. Ed. DEMOCRAT:

If you will allow me space in your valuable columns, I will give you a few items from Valle Crucis. The political pot is boiling. The Cleveland & Fowle club met at Clarke's Creek School House last Saturday. Mr. Spainhour was present, and after being introduced by the Pres. M. N. Hall, made a very logical and forcible speech. Mr. Spainhour made the Tariff so plain that "he who runs may read" He made it so plain that any man who has five grains of common sense, could comprehend what is meant by the Tariff. He also spoke of being in favor of abolishing the Internal Revenue. There were a few Republicans present some of whom said that they were well pleased with his speech. I am inclined to believe that the scales have fallen from some of their eyes, and that they have been converted from black Republicanism in the luminous light of Democracy. There are some who will not listen to the voice of reason, and will not be convinced, though the speaker argue with the eloquence of a Cicero, and with the wisdom of a Newton.

"Let Ephraim be joined to his idol." There are some who will vote against their own interests, because they are blinded by the Republican leaders. I do not see how any man in the South can be a Republican.

The Euphan Literary Society met at Valle Crucis last Tuesday and elected C. A. Church, a man whose mind was originally of a high order, and has been disciplined by the laborious culture of years, for Pres. I congratulate the society for their equity and good sense in electing such an experienced man. Eleven members joined the society. Success to the DEMOCRAT.

Americus. The Board of Education.

The board met in call session third Monday in this month to ascertain the amount due each District for the year '88, but owing to the failure of so many Committeemen to send in the Census of their districts, the board could come to no definite conclusion. An estimate of fifty cents to the scholar and \$15.25 to the district

was made; but for definite information, teachers and committeemen will have to wait till after first Monday in December. No school vouchers for '88 can be properly made out till after that time. It is to be regretted that all committeemen have not heeded the request of the Co. Supt. to have in the Census returns from their respective districts by the first of Oct. The net school fund for the county this year will be about \$8,200 and the whole number of children of school age will probably exceed 4,000.

L. W. Thomas, Sec. Board. On the first Monday in November 1888, at 1 o'clock P. M. I will offer at public sale the Jail and lot upon which it stands in the town of Boone Watauga County N. C. County to retain possession of same until the new Jail is completed.

Payment to be made when possession given. J. E. Finley, Chm. of Building Com. Sept 17th. 1888. 6 times.

NOTICE.

I will sell 300 acres of land in Alleghany co. N. C. on the waters of Prathers Creek and Piney Branch 100 acres well grassed, a good dwelling house, orchard &c.

Will sell all or a part. Now is your chance for a bargain. I am going to sell. I am going west.

Daniel T. Jones Jr. Oct. 8th. 1888. 1mo.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Mortgage, executed to me by M. B. Miller and Jane Miller his wife and recorded in book (E.) on page 361 in the records of Watauga county, to secure a note executed to me by said E. B. Miller for \$340.68 dated April 13th. 1888. I will sell for cash in hand to the highest bidder at the court house door in Boone on Monday the 5th. day of Nov. it being the first Monday, the following tracts of land: 1/2 interest in a tract containing 100 acres and lying between Elk Knob and Snake Mt. adjoining the lands of Allen Brown and others.

One other tract on Riddles Knob on the water of Roaring Fork of Ment Camp Creek adjoining the lands of Elijah Tatam and others and containing 300 acres.

Another tract on the waters of Cove Creek adjoining the lands of Richard Miller and others containing 20 acres more or less. Also another tract in the same locality known as the Franklin Musgrove tract containing 31 adjoining the lands of Landrine Eggers and others. Another tract adjoining the lands of A. W. Finley and others known as the Bush tract containing 168 acres. The above named lands will be sold to satisfy above described note, interest and costs of proceeding.

A. J. Critcher Mortgages. Per J. F. Spainhour, Atty. Sept. 24th. 1888. 1mo.

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